

Peder Bernhard Reinertson Family

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Picture taken at age 85

Peder B. Reinertson was born in Bergen, Norway June 27, 1827. He was an apprentice from age 11 to 16, trained as a carpenter and architect. Supposedly one of his buildings has been moved to a museum park in Bergen. He came to the U.S. in 1880, living in Fillmore County, Minnesota until 1891 when the family moved to Day County, South Dakota. He died there January 2, 1911.

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Stine Christiandatter Roseland Reinertson

Born June 11, 1832 in Stavanger, Norway
Married on October 11, 1857 in Bergen, Norway
Died October 31, 1895

Both Peder and Stina are laid to rest in Bergen Cemetery, Lynn township, Day County

They were the parents of 12 children, 8 who survived, and all came to America.

1. Rev. Peter Ingbart Reinertsen b: 18 July, 1858 in Bergen, Norway d: 07 April, 1936 in Onawa, Iowa
+Inger Bertine Johnson b: 10 December, 1866 in Peterson, Fillmore County, MN m: 07 February, 1887 in Rushford, Fillmore County, Minnesota d: 1934 in Moorhead, Clay County, MN
2. Stine Randine Marie Reinertsen b: 27 July, 1859 in Bergen, Norway d: 06 December, 1868 in Norway
3. Ingeborg Jacobine Reinertsen b: 09 September, 1860 in Bergen, Norway d: 15 December, 1940 in Bristol, Day County, South Dakota
+Lawrence Larson Alg m: 09 September, 1883 in Lanesboro, Fillmore County, Minnesota
4. Isaac Jacobus Reinertsen b: 12 November, 1861 in Bergen, Norway d: 04 April, 1875 in Norway
5. Rev. Jens Christian Reinertson b: 30 September, 1863 in Bergen, Norway d: 27 December, 1920 in Virginia, Minnesota
+Ella L. Hanson
6. Benjamine Amanda Reinertsen b: 30 December, 1864 d: 20 September, 1940 in ?Door County, Wisconsin

+Amund Olson
 7. Inga Elise Reinertsen b: 12 March, 1866 in Bergen, Norway d: 05 June, 1905 in Door County, Wisconsin
 +Ole Roalkvam
 8. Rev. Jens Bertel Skadsem Reinertsen b: 20 August, 1868 in Bergen, Norway d: 14 March, 1952 in ?Dawson, Minnesota
 +Christine Amalia Hinderlie m: 1896 d: 1936 in ?Texoma, Texas
 9. Stine Marie Reinertsen b: 16 February, 1870 in Bergen, Norway d: 25 August, 1872 in Norway
 10. Frederik Wilhelm Reinertson b: 30 March, 1871 in Bergen, Norway d: 02 October, 1932 in Union Township, Day County, South Dakota
 +Karen Ludvikson b: 25 December, 1868 in Nordfjord, Norway m: 09 March, 1899 d: 13 May, 1947 in Day County, South Dakota
 11. Gustave Martin Reinertsen b: 09 December, 1873 in Bergen, Norway d: 06 March, 1874 in Bergen, Norway
 12. Susanna Rosalie Reinertsen b: 26 December, 1875 in Bergen, Norway d: December 1954 in Bristol, Day County, South Dakota
 +Leif Peterson b: 24 July, 1859 in Telemark, Norway m: 23 July, 1895 d: 1945 in South Dakota

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Back Row: ?Alg, Lauritz Alg, Amos Reinertsen(grandson), Fred Reinertson, Jens B. Reinertsen, Leif Peterson
 Front Row: Ingeborg Reinertson Alg, Peter I. Reinertsen, Peder B. Reinertson, Carrie Reinertson (Mrs. Fred R.), Sannah Reinertson Peterson

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Early life in Day county at the Reinertson farm home. I don't know what the occasion is (?Sunday afternoon), but the details are interesting - the outdoor location, the horses with unusual transparent blankets, the buggy, the tablecloth and coffee service, a child in a high chair, a bay window on the house. Who are the family members in the picture?

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Back Row: Rev. P. J. Reinsertsen, Fred Reinertson
Front Row: Carrie Reinertson, Stine Reinertson, Peder B. Reinertson

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Rev. P.J.Reinertsen with his parents
This and the previous picture taken before 1895

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Rev. P."J." Reinertsen in his study. He served St. Paul's congregation in Elk Point, South Dakota from 1896 to 1918. He had an extensive library. It was to this parish that Ole Rolvaag came. Rolvaag made use of his pastor's library, the only one in the community at the time. Rev. P.J. Reinertsen wrote the letter to St. Olaf College to get Rolvaag admitted (copy below, from NAHA at St. Olaf College in Northfield, Minnesota).

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Elk Point. S. Dak. Juli 30^{te} 1901
Rev. Prof. Kildahl Northfield Minn.

Kjære Prof. Kildahl:-

Mr. Ole Kolvaag, Graduant fra Augustana Coll. Canton, S. D.
beder mig skrive dig til. Han ønsker at komme til College't nu
i Høst, er fattig, var fortiden ude og sælger Brøder o. s. v., siger at
han har tjent godt i Sommer, men må betale nogen Gjæld, han
havde paa Skolen i Canton. Han beder mig derfor at skrive, om der
kann gives nogen Anledning enten ved Skolen eller i Byen, at tjene
lidt ved Arbejde, saa at han kunde faa være ved Skolen i Vinter.
Hvis dette var muligt, vilde det være godt, thi han er en meget
begavet Gut, saa at neppe nogen har kunnet gennemgaae
Pædagogik i Canton paa saa kort Tid, som han, Ellers at han
Nylig kommer - har læst megen (altfor megen) norsk Litteratur,
Historie o. s. v.; men har ogsaa været religiøst paa virket, og
jeg haaber at han nok ved Guds Naade skal ingang naa frem til
Gjæld i sin Saligheds Sag, og at han da vil blive et dygtigt
Redskat i Herrens Tjeneste.
Om noget kunde gøres for, saa at han ikke blev tabt for Kirken
var det godt.

Med hjerteligst Hilsen
P. J. Reinertson
Elk Point S. Dak.

Compiler's Note to my distant cousins: Please contact me with any corrections, etc. I do not have much information on descendants from the other children of Peder and Stine Reinertson.

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